who voluntarily retire from banks' service on or after 1st November, 1993 after completing 20 years of service. While Government has not framed a new Voluntary Retirement Scheme, views of the chief executives of public sector banks have been sought on the desirability of introducing a Voluntary Retirement Scheme, similar to the one in operation in public sector undertakings, with or without modifications.

Projects Taken up by North-Eastern Development Finance Corporation

1285. SHRI W. ANGOU SINGH: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the projects taken up by the North Eastern Development Finance Corporation with the amounts sanctioned for each project;

(b) whether the projects are concentrated to a State or to all the States of North-Eastern Region; and

(c) the details of the projects sanctioned for each State alongwith the amount sanctioned therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL): (a) North Eastern Development Finance Corporation (NEDFC) has reported that as on date, 71 projects have been sanctioned by it involving an amount of Rs. 63.73 crores.

(b) and (c) The Projects have been sanctioned by NEDFC in all the seven State of the North Eastern Region. The State-wise details of projects santioned in the North Eastern States during the period 1996-97 to 21.11.1990 are as under:

(Rs. crore)

State	Amount
Arunachal Pradesh	7.53
Assam	44.52
Manipur	2.85
Meghalaya	1.83
Mizoram	2.32
Nagaland	2.29
Tripura	2.03

Disinvestment of PSUs in Rajasthan

1286. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state that the number of PSUs located in Rajasthan which are being considered for disinvestment and what are the reasons for such action?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL): It has been decided to disinvest 25% equity held by the Government in Hindustan Zinc Ltd., Udaipur, in the domestic market with preferencial allotment to small investors and employees of the company, within the frame-work of disinvestment policy in non-strategic PSUs.

Estimated amount for Disinvestment

1287. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state the estimated amount for disinvestment in PSUs for the next five years, year-wise and also region wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL): Proceeds from disinvestment as estimated in the Budget for 1999-2000 are Rs. 10,000 Crore. No